

HRSA's Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) Program

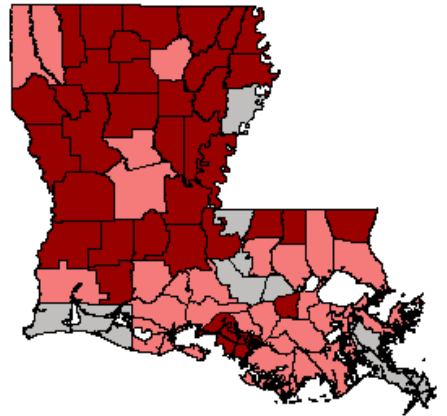
supports the [Louisiana Home Visiting Program](#) and provides voluntary, evidence-based home visiting programs for expectant and new parents with children through kindergarten entry age living in communities that are at-risk for poor maternal and child health outcomes¹.

Evidence-Based Home Visiting Models in Louisiana: [Nurse-Family Partnership \(NFP\)](#), [Parents as Teachers \(PAT\)](#)

Louisiana MIECHV Program At-a-Glance

■ Rural Counties²: Allen, Avoyelles, Beauregard, Bienville, Caldwell, Catahoula, Claiborne, Concordia, De Soto, East Carroll, East Feliciana, Evangeline, Franklin, Jackson, Jefferson Davis, La Salle, Lincoln, Madison, Morehouse, Natchitoches, Pointe Coupee, Red River, Richland, Sabine, St. Helena, St. James, St. Landry, St. Mary, Union, Vernon, Washington, Webster, West Carroll, Winn

■ Non-Rural Counties²: Acadia, Assumption, Bossier, Caddo, Calcasieu, East Baton Rouge, Grant, Iberia, Jefferson, Lafayette, Lafourche, Livingston, Orleans, Ouachita, Rapides, St. Bernard, St. Charles, St. John The Baptist, St. Martin, St. Tammany, Tangipahoa, Terrebonne, Vermilion



Participants

3,651

Households

2,013

Home Visits

19,694

Louisiana Prioritizes Community Needs

MIECHV Program awardees tailor their programs to serve populations of need within their state. In Louisiana:

- **99.8%** of households were at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines and **86%** were at or below 100% of those guidelines.
- **18.3%** of households included a pregnant enrollee under age 21

Louisiana Performance Highlights

MIECHV Program awardees track and report improvements in MIECHV benchmark areas every year. Awardees are required by authorizing statute to demonstrate improvement in benchmark areas every three years. In the most recent assessment following FY 2023, the Louisiana MIECHV program successfully met the requirements for demonstration of improvement by improving in all 6 [benchmark areas](#).

FY 2023 Performance Highlights Include:

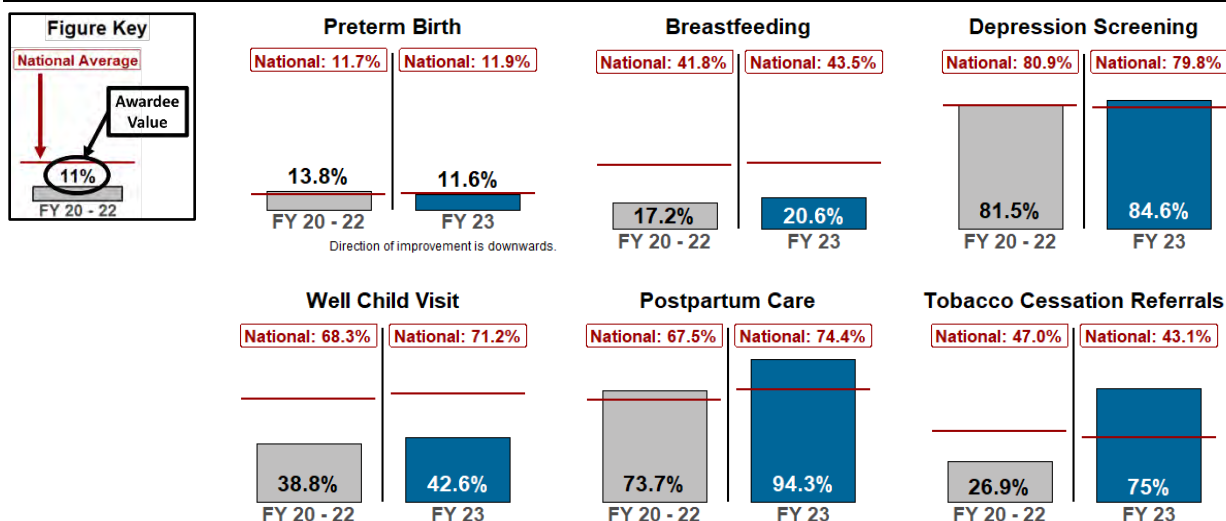
- **Depression Screening:** 84.6% of caregivers enrolled in home visiting were screened for depression within 3 months of enrollment or within 3 months of delivery. Research shows that postpartum depression can be associated with a number of adverse outcomes for both the mother and infant, such as poor parent-child bonding, negative parenting approaches, and increased risk of developmental, health, and safety concerns for the child.
- **Postpartum Care:** 94.3% of mothers enrolled in home visiting received a postpartum visit with a healthcare provider within 8 weeks of delivery. Many maternal deaths occur in the postpartum period and are considered preventable with appropriate follow-up care – the CDC has found that 66 percent of postpartum deaths are preventable.

¹ HRSA awarded ARP ([American Rescue Plan Act](#)) funds to current MIECHV awardees to address the needs of families in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

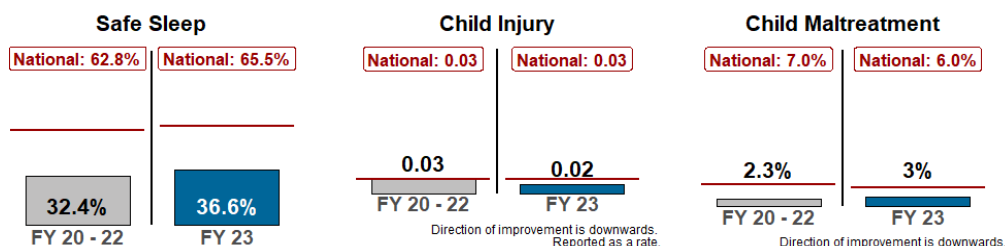
² These counties were served by MIECHV formula funds, ARP funds, or both.

Louisiana MIECHV Performance Data Compared to National MIECHV Averages

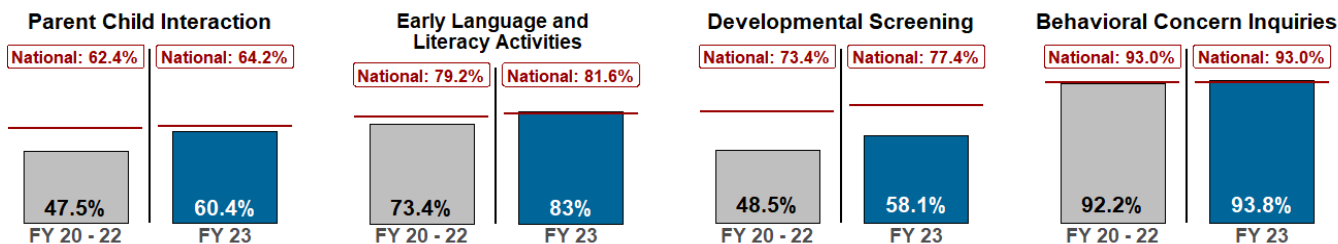
Benchmark Area 1: Maternal and Newborn Health Outcomes



Benchmark Area 2: Child Injuries, Maltreatment, and Emergency Department Visits

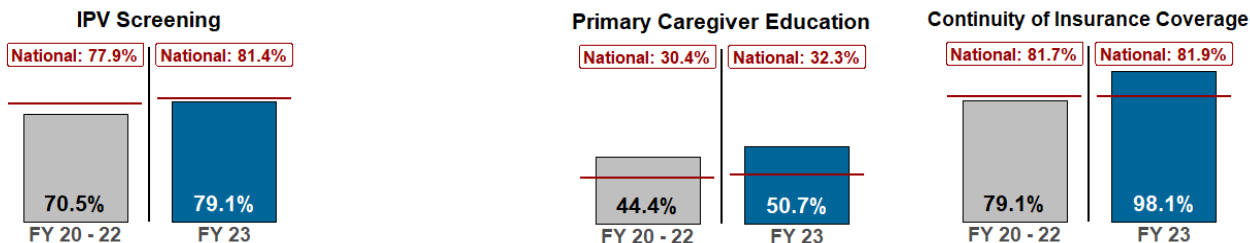


Benchmark Area 3: School Readiness and Achievement



Benchmark Area 4: Crime or Domestic Violence

Benchmark Area 5: Family Economic Self Sufficiency



Benchmark Area 6: Coordination and Referrals

